

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 870**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Cooley**

February 26, 2015

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An act relating to housing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 870, as introduced, Cooley. Homelessness: rapid rehousing.

Existing federal law, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, allocated, until September 30, 2011, \$1.5 billion to the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Homelessness Prevention Fund, to be used for homelessness prevention and rapid rehousing. Existing law, the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids Act, provides housing supports to individuals if the administering county determines that the individual or his or her family is experiencing homelessness or housing instability that would be a barrier to self-sufficiency or child well-being and declares that it is the intent of the Legislature that housing supports utilize evidence-based models, including those established in the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development's Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would utilize the principles of rapid rehousing in order to better care for California's homeless population.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1     SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
- 2     legislation that would utilize the principles of rapid rehousing in
- 3     order to better care for California's homeless population.

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